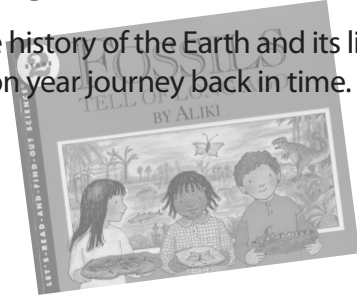


Continue your investigation into the past at the Museum of the Earth.

A complete list of events and programs is available at: priweb.org

Explore the history of the Earth and its life through a 540 million year journey back in time.



To learn more about dinosaurs and other fossils, check out these books:

Dinosaur by Stephanie Stansbie

How The Dinosaur Got To The Museum
by Jessie Hartland

When Fish Got Feet, Sharks Got Teeth, and Bugs Began to Swarm by Hannah Bonner

When Bugs Were Big, Plants Were Strange, and Tetrapods Stalked the Earth by Hannah Bonner

Woolly Mammoth by Mick Manning and Brita Granstrom

Fossils: A Golden Guide by Frank Rhodes

Evolving Planet: Four Billion Years of Life on Earth
by Erica Kelly and Richard Kissel

Cecil's Colossal Journey Through Time!
by Richard Kissel

1st Grade Discovery Trail Site:



MUSEUM OF THE EARTH

Just minutes from downtown Ithaca off Route 96!

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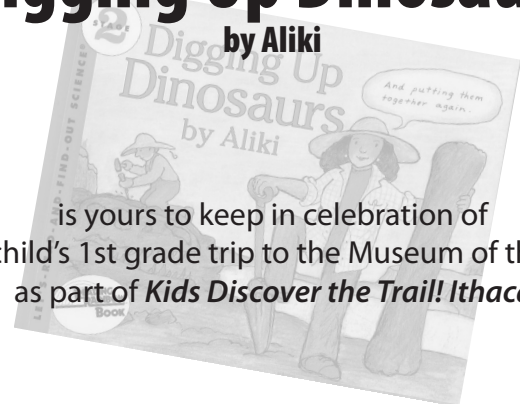
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1259 Trumansburg Rd (Rt 96)
Ithaca, NY 14850
(607) 273-6623

ADMISSION
Adult: \$8.00
College Student w/ID and
Seniors: \$6.00
Youth (ages 4-17): \$5.00
Child (3 and under): Free
Members: Free

HOURS
Labor Day to Memorial Day
Thurs. - Monday 10am - 5pm
Closed Tuesday and Wednesday,
Thanksgiving, Christmas,
& New Year's Day

Summer Hours
Open Daily
10am - 5pm

Digging Up Dinosaurs



is yours to keep in celebration of your child's 1st grade trip to the Museum of the Earth as part of *Kids Discover the Trail! Ithaca*



Kids Discover the Trail! Ithaca (KDT! Ithaca)

is a collaboration of the

- **Ithaca Public Education Initiative**
- **Discovery Trail**
- **Ithaca City School District**

to provide curriculum-based field trips to the eight sites of the Discovery Trail for Ithaca City School District students grades pre-K through 5.

For more on KDT! visit: www.kidsdiscoverthetrail.org
www.ipei.org
www.discoverytrail.com

Dear Junior Paleontologists,

We hope that your school field trip to the Museum of the Earth will be the beginning of your adventures in learning about the mystery of life long ago!

Be a Paleontologist or Geologist!

Search for Fossils and Rocks

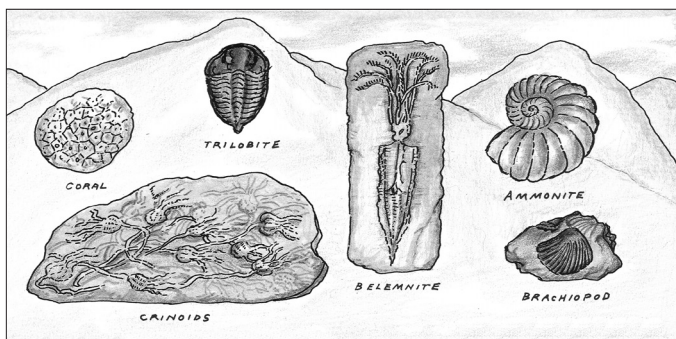
Ithaca is a great place to start a fossil collection. You can find interesting rocks and 380-million-year-old fossils all over the place:

- Your backyard
- Along streams or lakebeds
- Roadcuts along the highway



Make sure you follow these rules when collecting fossils:

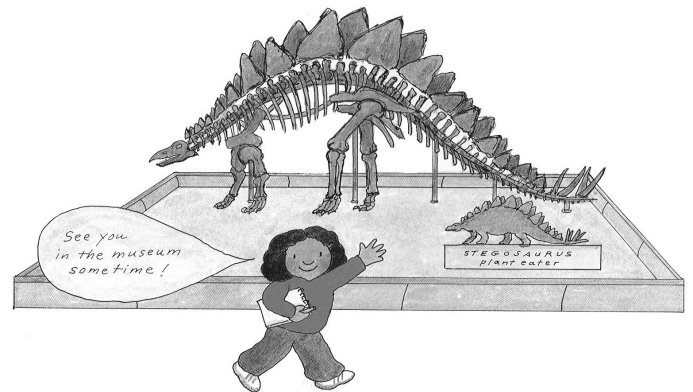
- Don't go collecting alone! Make sure you have an adult with you.
- Always get permission to collect at a site before you begin. Collecting is not allowed in some public places like parks, so check before you collect!
- No two fossil collecting spots are exactly the same; please leave the site as nice as you found it so other people can study and collect there too. Take only the fossils that you can use for your collection.



Make Your Own Collection

Scientists collect lots of information when they conduct research. To be a true paleontologist, make sure you follow these steps when collecting fossils:

1. Label each fossil with a note of where and when you found it.
2. Wrap the fossils if they are fragile. Put each fossil and its label in its own baggie, box, or envelope.
3. Study your fossils and ask lots of questions. Use books and websites or ask a paleontologist at the Museum to figure out what kind of fossils you found and where they come from.
4. Share what you've learned! Use your collection to make your own exhibit.



Visit Us Again!

Hey Parents! The Museum of the Earth welcomes you to bring your whole family to visit! Some great programs you won't want to miss:

Fossil ID Day

On the 2nd Saturday of every month, bring in your fossils to be identified by a paleontologist!

Fossil Collecting Fieldtrips during Summer Break

Paleontologists help you collect and identify fossils at different sites.

Special Programs for the Holiday, Winter, and Spring Breaks

Join us for special exhibit-themed programming, activities, and crafts.